

**Table 15. States: employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population 25 years and over, by educational attainment, 2008 annual averages**

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Area and educational attainment	Civilian non-institutional population	Civilian labor force		Employment		Unemployment	
		Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Rate
<b>Alabama</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	468	183	39.1	170	36.3	13	7.2
High school graduates, no college .....	1,044	603	57.8	574	55.0	29	4.9
Some college or associate degree .....	782	550	70.3	526	67.2	24	4.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	701	514	73.2	504	71.8	10	1.9
<b>Alaska</b>							
High school graduates, no college .....	132	94	71.1	86	65.7	7	7.6
Some college or associate degree .....	136	103	75.4	96	70.9	6	6.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	110	89	81.0	87	78.9	2	2.7
<b>Arizona</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	632	331	52.4	305	48.2	26	8.0
High school graduates, no college .....	1,118	695	62.2	656	58.7	39	5.6
Some college or associate degree .....	1,258	863	68.6	825	65.5	39	4.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,118	814	72.9	796	71.2	18	2.3
<b>Arkansas</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	301	134	44.6	124	41.1	11	7.8
High school graduates, no college .....	720	446	61.9	425	59.0	21	4.8
Some college or associate degree .....	465	324	69.6	313	67.3	11	3.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	361	274	75.8	269	74.5	5	1.7
<b>California</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	4,191	2,299	54.9	2,068	49.3	231	10.0
High school graduates, no college .....	5,299	3,353	63.3	3,102	58.5	251	7.5
Some college or associate degree .....	6,181	4,298	69.5	4,064	65.8	234	5.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	7,472	5,796	77.6	5,608	75.1	188	3.2
<b>Colorado</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	305	176	57.6	163	53.6	12	7.0
High school graduates, no college .....	778	533	68.4	514	66.0	19	3.6
Some college or associate degree .....	872	650	74.5	620	71.1	30	4.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,256	1,000	79.7	973	77.5	27	2.7
<b>Connecticut</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	223	103	46.0	92	41.0	11	10.7
High school graduates, no college .....	702	451	64.2	425	60.5	26	5.8
Some college or associate degree .....	513	381	74.3	363	70.7	18	4.8
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	882	699	79.2	679	76.9	20	2.8
<b>Delaware</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	65	32	48.6	29	45.1	2	7.3
High school graduates, no college .....	202	127	62.8	120	59.7	6	4.9
Some college or associate degree .....	135	96	70.6	92	67.7	4	4.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	167	129	77.1	126	75.4	3	2.3
<b>District of Columbia</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	46	21	45.5	18	39.7	3	12.9
High school graduates, no college .....	88	53	59.6	48	53.8	5	9.7
Some college or associate degree .....	65	45	68.4	42	64.3	3	6.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	202	168	83.0	162	80.5	5	3.1

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Florida							
Less than a high school diploma .....	1,408	644	45.7	579	41.1	64	10.0
High school graduates, no college .....	4,010	2,425	60.5	2,281	56.9	144	5.9
Some college or associate degree .....	3,417	2,387	69.9	2,271	66.4	117	4.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	3,617	2,605	72.0	2,514	69.5	90	3.5
Georgia							
Less than a high school diploma .....	823	408	49.6	367	44.6	41	10.1
High school graduates, no college .....	1,879	1,243	66.1	1,170	62.2	73	5.9
Some college or associate degree .....	1,558	1,154	74.1	1,085	69.6	70	6.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,804	1,453	80.5	1,412	78.3	41	2.8
Hawaii							
Less than a high school diploma .....	82	32	38.9	30	37.0	2	4.9
High school graduates, no college .....	271	168	62.1	162	60.0	6	3.4
Some college or associate degree .....	239	174	72.8	168	70.5	5	3.2
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	245	190	77.3	186	75.7	4	2.0
Idaho							
Less than a high school diploma .....	92	49	53.2	46	50.1	3	5.8
High school graduates, no college .....	303	195	64.3	186	61.2	9	4.8
Some college or associate degree .....	295	202	68.4	194	65.7	8	3.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	253	185	73.0	180	71.3	4	2.4
Illinois							
Less than a high school diploma .....	966	468	48.5	421	43.6	47	10.0
High school graduates, no college .....	2,518	1,603	63.6	1,506	59.8	96	6.0
Some college or associate degree .....	2,195	1,597	72.8	1,504	68.5	94	5.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	2,518	1,988	78.9	1,937	76.9	51	2.5
Indiana							
Less than a high school diploma .....	491	217	44.1	196	40.0	20	9.3
High school graduates, no college .....	1,588	1,007	63.4	944	59.5	62	6.2
Some college or associate degree .....	1,047	801	76.5	762	72.7	39	4.8
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	973	775	79.6	762	78.3	13	1.7
Iowa							
Less than a high school diploma .....	188	94	50.0	88	46.6	6	6.6
High school graduates, no college .....	659	429	65.0	413	62.6	16	3.7
Some college or associate degree .....	595	462	77.6	447	75.1	15	3.3
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	523	429	82.0	420	80.4	9	2.0
Kansas							
Less than a high school diploma .....	151	76	50.4	69	45.4	8	9.9
High school graduates, no college .....	522	334	64.1	322	61.7	12	3.7
Some college or associate degree .....	520	392	75.4	378	72.7	14	3.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	565	455	80.4	445	78.8	9	2.1
Kentucky							
Less than a high school diploma .....	497	166	33.5	148	29.9	18	10.9
High school graduates, no college .....	989	603	61.0	565	57.1	39	6.4
Some college or associate degree .....	682	477	69.9	456	66.8	21	4.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	610	472	77.4	464	76.0	8	1.8

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Louisiana							
Less than a high school diploma .....	410	170	41.4	158	38.6	12	6.9
High school graduates, no college .....	1,034	622	60.1	588	56.8	34	5.5
Some college or associate degree .....	675	477	70.6	462	68.4	15	3.2
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	684	528	77.2	522	76.4	6	1.0
Maine							
Less than a high school diploma .....	80	25	31.4	23	28.9	2	7.9
High school graduates, no college .....	338	204	60.5	194	57.5	10	5.1
Some college or associate degree .....	235	172	73.3	165	70.0	8	4.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	249	197	78.9	192	77.0	5	2.5
Maryland							
Less than a high school diploma .....	366	173	47.3	156	42.6	17	9.9
High school graduates, no college .....	1,016	680	66.9	657	64.6	23	3.4
Some college or associate degree .....	851	624	73.3	602	70.8	22	3.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,386	1,106	79.8	1,085	78.2	21	1.9
Massachusetts							
Less than a high school diploma .....	422	163	38.6	150	35.6	13	8.0
High school graduates, no college .....	1,233	752	60.9	696	56.4	56	7.4
Some college or associate degree .....	872	610	69.9	588	67.4	22	3.7
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,830	1,437	78.5	1,392	76.1	44	3.1
Michigan							
Less than a high school diploma .....	648	232	35.8	201	31.0	31	13.4
High school graduates, no college .....	2,241	1,277	57.0	1,157	51.6	120	9.4
Some college or associate degree .....	1,847	1,321	71.5	1,232	66.7	89	6.8
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,804	1,363	75.6	1,317	73.0	47	3.4
Minnesota							
Less than a high school diploma .....	238	98	41.3	88	37.0	10	10.6
High school graduates, no college .....	902	573	63.6	540	59.9	33	5.7
Some college or associate degree .....	1,086	828	76.3	786	72.4	42	5.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,173	931	79.4	906	77.2	25	2.7
Mississippi							
Less than a high school diploma .....	367	154	41.9	138	37.7	16	10.1
High school graduates, no college .....	571	323	56.5	302	53.0	20	6.2
Some college or associate degree .....	478	348	72.8	334	69.9	14	4.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	378	286	75.5	279	73.9	6	2.2
Missouri							
Less than a high school diploma .....	518	199	38.4	174	33.7	24	12.2
High school graduates, no college .....	1,369	856	62.5	806	58.9	50	5.9
Some college or associate degree .....	1,022	734	71.8	703	68.8	31	4.2
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	944	752	79.7	734	77.7	18	2.4
Montana							
Less than a high school diploma .....	47	20	41.7	18	38.1	2	8.7
High school graduates, no college .....	223	135	60.5	129	57.6	6	4.8
Some college or associate degree .....	193	142	73.3	136	70.2	6	4.2
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	169	130	76.6	126	74.7	3	2.5

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Nebraska							
Less than a high school diploma .....	99	48	49.0	46	46.5	2	5.1
High school graduates, no college .....	358	244	68.2	237	66.3	7	2.7
Some college or associate degree .....	350	276	78.9	269	76.9	7	2.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	316	266	84.4	261	82.8	5	1.9
Nevada							
Less than a high school diploma .....	218	138	63.6	122	56.2	16	11.6
High school graduates, no college .....	569	391	68.8	369	64.8	22	5.7
Some college or associate degree .....	488	344	70.6	330	67.6	15	4.3
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	403	305	75.6	296	73.5	9	2.9
New Hampshire							
Less than a high school diploma .....	63	27	42.9	25	39.3	2	8.3
High school graduates, no college .....	266	178	67.0	172	64.7	6	3.4
Some college or associate degree .....	245	186	76.0	181	73.7	6	3.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	307	241	78.4	236	76.9	5	1.9
New Jersey							
Less than a high school diploma .....	596	288	48.3	269	45.1	19	6.6
High school graduates, no college .....	1,832	1,146	62.6	1,072	58.5	75	6.5
Some college or associate degree .....	1,137	823	72.3	779	68.5	44	5.3
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	2,124	1,672	78.7	1,630	76.7	42	2.5
New Mexico							
Less than a high school diploma .....	213	98	45.8	93	43.6	5	4.7
High school graduates, no college .....	343	220	64.1	213	62.0	7	3.2
Some college or associate degree .....	354	244	68.9	235	66.2	10	4.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	359	273	75.9	265	73.7	8	2.9
New York							
Less than a high school diploma .....	1,743	716	41.1	660	37.9	56	7.9
High school graduates, no college .....	4,032	2,377	59.0	2,247	55.7	130	5.5
Some college or associate degree .....	2,832	2,019	71.3	1,930	68.1	89	4.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	4,238	3,308	78.1	3,215	75.9	94	2.8
North Carolina							
Less than a high school diploma .....	923	405	43.9	362	39.2	43	10.7
High school graduates, no college .....	1,699	1,071	63.0	1,004	59.1	67	6.2
Some college or associate degree .....	1,617	1,165	72.1	1,106	68.4	59	5.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,704	1,278	75.0	1,244	73.0	34	2.7
North Dakota							
Less than a high school diploma .....	37	14	39.3	14	37.0	1	5.7
High school graduates, no college .....	117	81	68.9	78	66.5	3	3.4
Some college or associate degree .....	141	112	79.5	109	77.4	3	2.6
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	116	102	87.5	101	86.5	1	1.1
Ohio							
Less than a high school diploma .....	789	331	41.9	294	37.2	37	11.2
High school graduates, no college .....	2,961	1,869	63.1	1,760	59.4	109	5.8
Some college or associate degree .....	1,859	1,365	73.5	1,298	69.9	67	4.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,836	1,492	81.3	1,456	79.3	36	2.4

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Oklahoma							
Less than a high school diploma .....	263	111	42.0	101	38.4	9	8.5
High school graduates, no college .....	795	479	60.2	463	58.3	15	3.2
Some college or associate degree .....	662	447	67.5	433	65.4	14	3.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	565	433	76.6	426	75.4	6	1.5
Oregon							
Less than a high school diploma .....	252	132	52.5	117	46.4	15	11.5
High school graduates, no college .....	731	443	60.6	408	55.8	35	8.0
Some college or associate degree .....	806	564	70.0	532	66.0	32	5.7
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	779	583	74.8	567	72.9	15	2.6
Pennsylvania							
Less than a high school diploma .....	898	344	38.3	316	35.2	28	8.1
High school graduates, no college .....	3,444	2,091	60.7	1,998	58.0	93	4.5
Some college or associate degree .....	1,691	1,223	72.3	1,175	69.5	48	3.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	2,212	1,768	79.9	1,727	78.1	41	2.3
Rhode Island							
Less than a high school diploma .....	110	47	43.1	41	37.5	6	12.9
High school graduates, no college .....	211	135	63.9	123	58.6	11	8.4
Some college or associate degree .....	162	126	77.4	117	72.1	9	6.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	216	172	79.8	167	77.3	5	3.1
South Carolina							
Less than a high school diploma .....	452	169	37.4	151	33.4	18	10.8
High school graduates, no college .....	1,004	626	62.3	579	57.6	47	7.5
Some college or associate degree .....	759	533	70.2	506	66.7	27	5.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	685	521	76.1	508	74.2	13	2.4
South Dakota							
Less than a high school diploma .....	48	20	41.6	19	39.4	1	5.4
High school graduates, no college .....	169	119	70.6	116	68.7	3	2.7
Some college or associate degree .....	159	124	78.4	122	76.7	3	2.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	133	112	84.3	111	83.2	1	1.3
Tennessee							
Less than a high school diploma .....	684	272	39.7	243	35.6	29	10.5
High school graduates, no college .....	1,429	869	60.8	808	56.5	61	7.1
Some college or associate degree .....	1,022	725	71.0	693	67.8	32	4.5
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	969	766	79.1	752	77.7	14	1.8
Texas							
Less than a high school diploma .....	2,987	1,547	51.8	1,441	48.2	107	6.9
High school graduates, no college .....	4,148	2,747	66.2	2,627	63.3	120	4.4
Some college or associate degree .....	3,808	2,716	71.3	2,629	69.0	88	3.2
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	3,846	2,977	77.4	2,920	75.9	57	1.9
Utah							
Less than a high school diploma .....	141	84	60.0	81	57.4	4	4.3
High school graduates, no college .....	424	291	68.5	281	66.3	9	3.2
Some college or associate degree .....	553	398	72.0	388	70.1	11	2.6
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	441	342	77.5	336	76.3	5	1.6

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<b>Vermont</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	39	17	43.1	15	38.8	2	9.9
High school graduates, no college .....	143	99	68.9	94	65.7	5	4.6
Some college or associate degree .....	103	75	72.8	72	69.9	3	4.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	143	113	78.8	110	76.9	3	2.4
<b>Virginia</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	569	273	48.0	259	45.4	15	5.5
High school graduates, no college .....	1,521	1,014	66.6	977	64.2	37	3.6
Some college or associate degree .....	1,135	845	74.5	819	72.2	26	3.1
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,769	1,445	81.7	1,417	80.1	28	1.9
<b>Washington</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	343	180	52.5	165	48.2	15	8.2
High school graduates, no college .....	1,140	716	62.8	679	59.6	36	5.1
Some college or associate degree .....	1,447	1,032	71.4	992	68.5	41	3.9
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,384	1,056	76.3	1,027	74.2	28	2.7
<b>West Virginia</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	201	52	25.9	49	24.5	3	5.5
High school graduates, no college .....	548	304	55.4	292	53.3	12	3.9
Some college or associate degree .....	288	192	66.5	186	64.6	6	3.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	206	157	76.1	154	74.8	3	1.8
<b>Wisconsin</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	325	133	40.8	123	38.0	9	7.0
High school graduates, no college .....	1,260	825	65.5	790	62.7	35	4.2
Some college or associate degree .....	1,045	805	77.0	769	73.6	35	4.4
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	1,042	832	79.8	814	78.1	18	2.2
<b>Wyoming</b>							
Less than a high school diploma .....	28	15	51.0	13	47.3	1	7.3
High school graduates, no college .....	118	81	68.7	79	67.0	2	2.4
Some college or associate degree .....	124	95	76.5	93	74.9	2	2.0
Bachelor's degree and higher .....	71	56	78.7	55	77.7	1	1.3

NOTE: Data are not shown when the labor force base does not meet the BLS publication standard of reliability for the area in question, as

determined by the sample size. (See appendix B.) Data incorporate updated Census 2000-based population controls.